(d) whether the years of temporary ad-hoc service they have put in, are also be added to the years of their regular service to derive pensionary benefits in their retirement; and

(e) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) and (b) Temporary service followed by regular service rendered by a University|College teacher is counted for allowing normal annual increments. It is also counted for pensionary benefits. However, no benefit is given in respect of *ad-hoc* service

(c) Not less than 10 years' qualifying service.

(d) and (e) The service rendered on temporary basis can be added to the regular service for pensionary benefits in case there is no break in service and the concerned teacher was selected for the temporary service by a duly constituted Selection Committee.

Visit of the Chief Minister of North Eastern province of Sri Lanka to India

3335. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Chief Minister of Sri Lanka's North-Eastern Province visited India on the 12th March and had long discussions with the Union Government for providing more aid in that country; and

(b) if so, what was the outcome of the visit and to what extent India has agreed to help Sri Lanka?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) and (b) The Chief Minister of North-Eastern Province visited India and paid courtesy calls on Indian leaders and apprised them of the situation in the North-Eastern Province and the major tasks facing his Provincisl Government, especially in the field of rehabilitation and reconstruction. India has already extended a rehabilitation grant of Rs. 25 crores to Sri Lanka which is in the process of being utilised.

Preparing of software for adult education and non-formal education

3336. DR. R. K. PODDAR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have prepared any software for adult education and non-formal education to show on Doordarshan;

(b) if so, what are the modalities of preparing such software and what is the budget esimate for these purposes;

(c) whether such programmes are being sponsored by any private agencies; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) Video films have been prepared for adult education.

(b) The proposals received from the producers for production of video films are considered and approved on merit by the Costing Committee of the Directorate of Adult Education.

The budget of the Directorate for 1988-89 contained a provision of Rs. 25.00 lakhs for media support.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.